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1. FURTHER TO REFTEL, I SPOKE WITH NORWEGIAN AMBASSADOR PER NAEVDAL, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND (AFDF) FOR NORDIC COUNTRIES (17 PERCENT OF CAPITAL). DEPARTMENT REQUESTED NOT RPT NOT TO SHARE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WITH AFDB OFFICIALS.

2. FOUR NORDIC COUNTRIES REVIEWED PRESIDENT LABIDI'S PROPOSAL OF MID-MAY TO INCREASE RESOURCES OF AFDF AND, FOR VARIOUS REASONS, AGREED THAT NO RESPONSE COULD BE MADE AT RABAT MEETING, JULY 1-6: A) SWEDEN NEEDS MORE TIME FOR GOVERNMENTAL AND PARLIAMENTARY
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ACTION ON PROPOSAL, BUT WOULD BE FAVORABLY INCLINED TO CONSIDER

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IT IN BUDGET YEAR 1975-76.
B) NORWAY NEEDS MORE TIME FOR PARLIAMENTARY PROCESS, AS WELL AS WANTING TO KNOW HOW MUCH MONEY WILL BE EXPECTED OF IT FOR SPECIAL FUND SET UP BY SPECIAL SESSION OF UNGA. AT APPROPRIATE TIME, NORWAY WILL GO ALONG WITH SOME INCREASE, IF NORDICS CAN BE UNANIMOUS.
C) FINDLAND IS WILLING TO GO ALONG WITH SOME INCREASE, BUT NEEDS TIME FOR PARLIAMENTARY PROCESS.
D) DENMARK, IN SERIOUS FINANCIAL STRAIGHTS, IS VERY NEGATIVE TO PROPOSAL AT THIS TIME. NAEVDAL SAID DANISH OPPOSITION COULD SERIOUSLY DELAY ANY NORDIC INCREASE.

3. NORWAY'S BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH THE AFDB INVOLVE THE PROVISION OF ONE EXPERT CURRENTLY WORKING AT BANK, FINANCED BY GON, AND PLANS TO ADD A PROJECT ANALYST. GON HAS ALSO REQUESTED PARLIAMENT TO GRANT AFDB KR. 2 MILLION (ABOUT DOLS 350,000) FOR FEASIBILITY STUDIES AND TO RENOUNCE RECUPERATION OF KR.500,000 (ABOUT DOLS 90,000) OWED NORWAY DUE TO REVALUATIONS. GON HOPES TO BE ABLE ANNOUNCE THESE GRANTS AT RABAT MEETING.

4. NORWAY IS ALSO CONSIDERING LOAN TO AFDB, BUT THIS WOULD BE COUNTER TO STANDARD NORWEGIAN AID POLICY OF ONLY PROVIDING GRANT ASSISTANCE TO LDC INSTITUTIONS.

5. I URGED AMBASSADOR NAEVDAL TO GET IN TOUCH WITH US OBSERVER DELEGATION TO RABAT MEETINGS, AND GAVE HIM DELEGATION CHIEF DISDIER'S NAME. I AM SURE DELEGATION WILL FIND HIM USEFUL, FRIENDLY SOURCE OF INFORMATION ON AFDF MEETINGS. IN TURN, HE WILL BE INTERESTED IN DEVELOPMENTS ON AID LOAN TO AFDB AND U.S. MEMBERSHIP IN AFDF. AS NOTED REFTEL, DAVID HILTON, CANADIAN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF AFDF, ALSO INTERESTED AND CAN BE HELPFUL AND ALSO HAS DISDIER'S NAME.

6. BRITISH AMBASSADOR, PAUL HOLMER, REPRESENTING UK (AND YUGOSLAVIA) ON AFDF BOARD, WILL ALSO ATTEND. HAS NOT YET RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS, BUT DOES NOT EXPECT POSITIVE UK RESPONSE AT THIS TIME. ALSO GAVE HIM DISDIER'S NAME.
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